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For : Ceramic Heater

**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114  
IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 9, 2004**

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed August 9, 2004, which sets a three month shortened statutory period for response until November 9, 2004.

Applicants note that a Request for Continued Examination is being concurrently filed herewith, and this paper is being filed as the required Submission with the Request for Continued Examination.

Applicants further note that the Request for Continued Examination and this Submission are being filed by the initial due date for response whereby an extension of time and the government fees associated therewith should not be necessary. However, if any for any reason any extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any required extension of time to

maintain the pendency of the application, and authorization to charge any required extension of time fee to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Entry of the instant amendment, with reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.